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KING OPENS PARLIAMENT.

MOMENTOUS SESSION.

IRISH PEACE TREATY ACCEPTED.

LONDON, December 14.

Intense interest centered in the state opening by the King of the shortest and one of the most momentous sessions of parliament in British history. Crowds along the route, lined with military cheered the King and Queen and Princess Mary driving in a state coach to Parliament.

There was an unexampled array of peers and peeresses whose sparkling coronets and jewels made a magnificent scene in the House of Lords.

The brevity of the King's speech surprised everyone.

The House of Commons was crowded when it re-assembled in the afternoon.

The Premier was loudly cheered on entry.

Colonel Sir S. J. G. Hoare moved the address in the customary form with an addendum stating that the House of Commons having considered the Irish agreement was ready to ratify it and congratulating the King on the near accomplishment of the work of reconciliation to which His Majesty had so largely contributed.

A SURPRISE.

Major H. Barnes, the Labour leader, seconded the motion, after which the Ulsterman Mr. McNeill unexpectedly suggested an adjournment until they knew whether the Dail Eireann had accepted the agreement.

The Speaker replied that Parliament was independent of any outside decision.

Mr. Lloyd George, who was loudly cheered, said that the Irish agreement had been received with delight and hope throughout the civilised world. (Cheers.) It had been criticised in some quarters as a humiliation of Britain and the Empire but the Dominions, all of which had acclaimed the agreement, were not in the habit of rejoicing over humiliation of the Empire for which they had sacrificed so much.

DOMINION STATUS.

The Premier, referring to the negotiations, said that it was becoming manifest in Ireland that there were men on the other side who took risks in fighting to make peace between two great races. Referring to the proposed dominion status of Ireland he said it was difficult and dangerous to attempt to define such status, but Ireland's guarantee in the exercise of it lay in the fact that the other dominions would feel their own position jeopardised if an attempt were made to encroach on Ireland's rights. He emphasised that there had been complete acceptance of allegiance to the Crown and membership of the Empire.

LIMITATION OF FORCES.

Referring to the limitation of Ireland's forces, the Premier mentioned the danger otherwise of the creation of two rival armies in Ireland and possible conflict with Ulster.

Replying to an interrogation as to how he proposed to enforce this provision, the Premier said if the treaty were broken the Empire was quite capable of dealing with the situation as it dealt with breaches of treaties by far more formidable powers.

NAVAL SAFEGUARDS.

As regards naval safeguards, he explained the necessity of securing unquestioned free access to Irish ports in the time of need.

Referring to the clause empowering Ireland to impose tariffs on British goods, he said the safeguard lay in the fact that Ireland was more dependent on Britain than Britain was on Ireland.

The Premier announced that an act of indemnity would be introduced.

DAIL EIREANN OPENING PUBLICLY.

PRIVATE AFTERNOON SESSION.

FINAL DECISION IN PUBLIC TOMORROW.

LONDON, December 14.

Dail Eireann opened publicly in Dublin. It discussed the details leading to the appointment of plenipotentiaries and their powers. Eventually a motion by Mr. De Valera, was adopted, in spite of opposition from Mr. Collins, that the Dail meet privately in the afternoon and that tomorrow's proceedings when ratification or rejection will be considered shall be public.

ROYAL DUTCH DIVIDEND.

SCRIP INSTEAD OF MONEY.

AMSTERDAM, December 14.

A meeting of the shareholders of the Royal Dutch Company unanimously carried a proposal that the management pay the next dividend in scrip instead of

JAPANESE OWNED RAILWAY.

CHINA OFFERS PURCHASE.

PROPOSALS CABLED TO TOKYO.

WASHINGTON, December 14.

At a meeting of the Far Eastern Committee, the Chinese presented a detailed statement regarding the special spheres of interest to which China particularly objects. The Japanese requested time to study this statement before discussing it.

The Japanese have telegraphed to Tokyo China's counter-proposal to purchase the Kiaochow-Tsinanfu railway. A couple of days' delay in the conclusion of the Chinese and Japanese negotiations must therefore be expected. China is reported to be ready to pay in bonds but the Japanese desire further security.

It is noteworthy that the Chinese and Japanese negotiations have been conducted entirely in the English language in the presence of the British and American representatives.

TWENTY-ONE DEMANDS.

WASHINGTON, December 15.

The Chinese delegation has requested abrogation of the Famous Chinese and Japanese Twenty-one demand treaty of 1915 and all treaties granting special spheres of influence in China.

CHINESE QUESTION DANGER.

SIR EDWARD GREY'S VIEWS.

WASHINGTON, December 14.

In his speech at Manchester, Sir Edward Grey said the real difficulty in the Far East at present was the question of China which had not been solved by the Washington Conference. The danger of the Chinese question was that while China remained in a state of chaos the countries interested in China might be drawn into interference which might produce great difficulties between themselves besides considerably injuring China. There was only one safety in the Far East at present, namely that the powers interested in China should be united in consultation.

PORTUGAL'S POLITICS.

PINTO CABINET RESIGNS.

LISBON, December 14.

The Pinto Cabinet has resigned owing to a split in the component parties.

The Pinto Cabinet was composed as follows:— Senhor Maia Pinto, Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior; Senhor Vasco de Vasconcellos, Justice; Senhor Trancoso, Finance; Senhor Peres, War; Senhor de Carvalho, Marine; Senhor Vieira Simoes, Foreign Affairs; Senhor Simas, Commerce; Senhor Nunes, Colonies; Senhor Cabral, Instruction; Senhor Garcia, Labour; and Senhor Antao de Carvalho, Agriculture.

AMERICAN COTTON CROP SENSATION.

GLARING OFFICIAL ERROR DISCOVERED.

LONDON, December 14.

An unparalleled situation in connection with the American cotton crop reports is now revealed says the *Manchester Guardian*. The crop is now officially estimated at 8,348,000 bales, possibly more, compared with only 6,500,000, officially indicated on October 1. The Cotton Bureau states that the earlier estimate was based on figures supplied by the growers who seriously overstated the reduction of acreage compared with last year. So serious an error is unprecedented and has shaken the confidence of the traders in the bureau. The low crop estimate caused a stiff rise in prices followed by a sharp decline when it was evident the bureau had been badly misled. Some largely profited by the rise but the general effect has been seriously detrimental to the industry.

INFUX OF CHINESE.

JAMAICA ALARMED.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA, December 14.

The mayor and council are agitating with the object of urging the Government to prevent the influx of Chinese on the ground that it is pauperising the community. There is a vessel in port from China with over 300 emigrants the largest number brought in one ship. It is feared this will be the beginning of a tide of emigration which will overrun the island.

FRONTIER GUARD WITH CUTLASS.

CONSTABULARY COMMANDANT KILLED.

PORTLAND, December 14.

A frontier guard between England and France was killed in a severe battle with a band of German soldiers who had crossed the frontier.

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LENDEMANN.—To the wife of W. Lindemann (nee Bertha Konow) Amsterdam, a daughter, Erika.
FORSHAW.—On October 15, 1921, at Southport, to Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Forshaw, a son.
KNAPTON.—On December 5, 1921, at Tsuenfu, to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Knapton, a son.

MARRIAGES.

SUTHERLAND.—DOTTRIDGE. —On Dec. 14 at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, Mr. Robert Sutherland, second son of the late Dr. A. Sutherland, of Invergon, to Dorothy Ida, youngest daughter of the late J. W. Dottridge of London.
ZHELINSKY.—GOURVITCH. —On December 7, 1921, at Shanghai, John Zhelinsky to Miriam Gourvitch.

DEATH.

BROWNE.—On December 6, 1921, at Shanghai, W. Barrington Browne, aged 31 years.

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SEXUAL LOVE.

A reader of the *China Mail* is engaged to marry a girl at home. Questions of religious belief have arisen in their correspondence. The lady is a clergyman's daughter, and her beliefs are her father's teaching. He, being young, is still a fresh-groper, and he

calls himself an agnostic. The problem is not at all new. It is a subsidiary problem we are asked to deal with. In reply to the characteristically feminine remonstrances only to be expected from her, he wrote a quite friendly but argumentative letter. Reading his own letter over, he was shocked into asking himself the question, "Do I, after all, really love her?" To that incidental question it has been suggested that we could give an answer. We can. So can almost any man of experience.

He does not love her. No man does. And yet he does love her. All men do. To clear up this tangled it is necessary to point out the need for a definition of love, and that is a big order—too big for a newspaper article. It will be easier to point out some things that love is not. It is not, never was, and never will be the tremendous thing that the sentimental novelists make of it. The emotions proper to young men and maidens are exalted enough, but these immature romances make them expect far more, something much more miraculous and permanent and unchangeable. Then time and experience sours them, or at least they wake up sober. There may be perfect "affinities" here and there, and some of them may even get married; but human experience should teach the young not to expect too much, not to complain because things are not swans, and to make the best of what life really does offer, rather than to sigh for what the romances falsely promise them. This man does love this woman, or he would not bother to write to her. But he does not love her as he has been led to think he ought to love her. He is disturbed because he does not feel as he thinks it is expected of him to feel.

Young male love is very generous; it wants to give more than it has to give, and suspects fault in itself because it cannot. About those "beliefs" of theirs. He does not love her because he is to unsophisticated to understand, not what women are, but

what they are not. He does not realize that to her his intellectual struggles are merely "tiresome" and quite uncalculated. Men are so silly. He does not know that for her there is nothing to argue about. He does not know that women as a rule do not reason at all about such things; they feel. A few strong-minded ones may; we said women as a rule. So he does not love her—once he realizes that all his arguments are wasted on her. He expects more from her than he has any right to expect from any wife, namely, perfect intellectual understanding. He will never get it, and according to the measure of his disappointment, so will his love decrease. She will accuse him of false professions of love—he cannot have really loved her, or he would not let such trifles come between them—and she will be doubly wrong there. He could not love her so much loved he not honour more. Intellectual honesty is as dear to him as love is. So, probably, are or will be other things in their turn. No man or woman is a "specialist" in love, excluding all other interests.

Attraction, liking, sympathy, congenial tastes, some small intellectual approach—these make the only love there is. Happy marriage depends to some extent on them, but far more on the good will and common-sense of the parties in the matter of adapting themselves so as to make the best of the disappointing qualities that they discover in the other. The ardent desire that is called being "in love" is no safe guide, for it can abate and disappear in the most marvellous, ly swift way. *Punch's* advice, somewhat elaborated, is still the highest wisdom. "Don't"—but when you cannot help it, and do, make the best of it, for the likelihood is that you couldn't have done better, anyway. Is this man really in love, "as they say"? No. In that sense he is not. No one ever was.

But (perhaps objects the young man) I am not that sort of fool. The rubbishy romances you speak of have never impressed me. I read only the best literature. And there are great classics that tell of love, of a great and lofty love. May I not expect it to come to me?

It is true that Big Literature postulates this marvellous love, this super love, that youth dreams of. What then? The biggest of big literature, after all, is only—literature. It is a lie. A lovely, literary lie, if you like, but still, a lie. It is more respectful to call it an Ideal, of course, but impossible ideals are lies. It is less brutal to call it a pretty dream, an encouraging fairy tale, a cheering hope. We quite agree, so long as, when it comes to practical life, it is not overlooked that these things are not true.

Juliet herself as Mrs. Romeo, tarried with household cares, becoming (through no fault of her own) certainly not a little more matronly in her contours, with perhaps a defective tooth beginning to show in her most loving smile, could not have kept Romeo's ardour up to balcony pitch. These trifles affect love, however big it feels to itself before the trifles are there to be noticed. Love is make large promises in all sincerity. They really mean to keep them, but they cannot. Nature will not let them. If Beatrice becomes Mrs. Dante, there will come a morning, sure as eggs is eggs, when Mr. D. will get up on the wrong side of the bed, as the saying is, and "snap at" her for something that is not her fault at all. He will apologise most poetically and eloquently, he will truly repent, and for a time the high key may be sustained. But love, like the voice of a boy (and is not love a little boy?) is bound to crack. Men cannot go on singing sopranos. There are a few successful falsettos whose names are in the keeping of the Registrar of Marriages, but what a strain it must be for them. Let brides be glad of average, decent tenors and basses. As for bridegrooms, let them be thankful if the woman who does not and cannot "understand" them turns out to be a cheerful, placid soul who says, "Yes, dear. I dare say you are right." For most women will live and die in the sure and certain faith that no man ever was or could be right, save as children are sometimes right, either by a fluke, or because a woman taught them.

No. This young man does not love her, because he loves his idea of her, which is sure to be wrong. The woman he loves has yet to be created; she does not belong to our species. We are afraid that, so far as our definition of true love is concerned, he never will be able to love a good woman aright until he has first tasted the bitterness of hating a bad one. And that—now we take a good look at it—seems terribly hard lines on innocent young men. May the Lord be kind to them, and to all women, too. When men and motorcars collide, surgeons or at least arnica are needed. When it is the sexes that collide, a tremendous lot of loving kindness is wanted to repair the bruises caused by the lying nonsense with which their youth was stuffed.

There is a sort of delusion in the minds of men (we cannot answer for the women) that when Adam and Eve ate of the fruit of the tree of knowledge, they learned all there was to know. The Almighty and Omniscient is not so careless as that. There are still secrets left. The big inviolable secret for any woman is the mind of the man; and the one thing that no man knows—not even the youngest of us—is the mind of the woman. The perfect love that casteth out fear depends on perfect understanding, which is not possible.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

All firms clubs, etc., who have not yet returned particulars for inclusion in the Dollar Directory are requested to do so immediately to No. 5, Wyndham Street. Particulars of new firms etc., will be gladly received for inclusion in the Directory.

Two cases of diphtheria, one Chinese (fatal) and the other British, were notified yesterday, also one of enteric fever, Japanese.

An extraordinary general meeting will be held at the City Hall on Wednesday to consider the constitution, and the branch rules and to appoint auditors.

Suffering from opium poisoning, alleged to have been self-administered, a Chinese, aged 51 years was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital. His condition is not serious.

For boiling opium at No. 27, First Street, West Point, last night, a Chinese was this morning sentenced by Magistrate Wood to three months' hard labour without the option of a fine.

To-morrow afternoon Messrs. Lamont Bros. will auction the steamship "Kong Chow" (formerly the "Kwong Tai") as she now lies off Samshui. Registered at Canton, the ship has a registered tonnage of 218. The same auctioneers will also sell a 1,400 h.p. engine from the s.s. "Hongkong," shafts, a donkey pump and a quantity of sundries.

A lecture, which is open to the public, will be given at the Helena May Institute on Wednesday next December 21, at 5.30 p.m. by Miss Zung Wei-tung on "Chinese Women and 'Children in Industry.'" Miss Young was China's representative at the International Working Women's Congress at Geneva in October, 1920.

Among the passengers due here by the P. & O. s.s. "Dongola" this afternoon are Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., Mr. and Mrs. A. G. M. Fletcher and children, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. M. Bannerman, Mr. and Mrs. C. Blaker, Mr. and Mrs. Bullock, Mrs. Dowbiggin, Mrs. Heanley, Mrs. and Mrs. F. Maitland, Mr. and Mrs. T. Neave and Miss Neave, Miss Ram.

Another moving story of losses sustained through stock and produce exchange speculation was printed in the Chinese press, which seems to be able to discover one daily to be held up as an awful example to readers. The latest victim is a clothing store proprietor, whose losses are estimated at \$170,000. Two or three people who have suffered in the crash of his business are reported to have committed suicide by hanging or drowning.

Customs collections for the port of Manila, says the *Manila Times* of November 28, indicate that there is still a big decrease in the returns as compared with the corresponding period last year. The total customs collections up to 25th November, amounted to P673,802.72, as compared with P1,187,556.31 for the same period last year, or a decrease of P513,753.59. The entire collections for the port of Manila in November, 1920, amounted to nearly P1,500,000. With the present rate of customs returns, officials at the custom house believe that by the end of the month the collections will be only, about P1,000,000, or about P500,000 less than the collections for last year.

With regard to the International Settlement, the small-pox situation shows signs of improvement, a representative of the *N.C. Daily News* was officially informed on Thursday last. During the day no further foreign cases came under the notice of the Health Department. The total number of foreign cases of small-pox notified to the Health authorities of the International Settlement for the month of November and from December 1st till December 9th reached 56. The death roll among the Chinese during the same month, but up to December 4th, amounted to 42. Thirteen foreign deaths are recorded for last month and during the present one. It was pointed out by an official of the department concerned that the foregoing figures only refer to cases actually notified. There may have been further cases. Apparently there is every reason to hope that the outbreak is subsiding.

CORRESPONDENCE.

WIGWAM T. C. GETS
ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Dear Sir,
I enclose copy of a letter received yesterday from St. Dunstan's Hospital, London, and would thank you to kindly publish it in your journal for the information of those concerned.

Thanking you,
Yours faithfully,
E. H. O'FARRELL.
Hongkong, 8th Nov., 1921.

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I enclose an official receipt for this amount, and with it I hope you will accept yourself and convey to all concerned, an expression of very sincere and cordial thanks on behalf of the gallant men who will benefit by such practical interest in their welfare.

Such substantial assistance is very deeply appreciated.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) Arthur Pearson.
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S.P.C.A.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Dear Sir.—Some few days ago, I noticed a letter in your columns from "Member Only" seeking information whether 353 represented the sum total of animal lovers in the Colony, or for the reasons why the remainder refrained from joining the Society. I have not seen any criticisms put forward in reply, so I think that it is only fair to conclude that the majority of the people of this Colony (who must be fully aware of the cruelty existing) are totally indifferent to the welfare of dumb animals, at least, those not their own property.

Yours faithfully,

"ANOTHER MEMBER."

Hongkong, December 15, 1921.

[It is not "fair to conclude" anything so sweeping. We advise that this line of argument be dropped at once, or it may tempt someone who does love animals, and who does hate cruelty, to publish his reasons for not joining the local S.P.C.A. That would not be gain for it. Let us see what the 353—a number quite big enough to achieve something—manage to do.—Ed. C.M.]

THE LEAGUE OF FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Dear Sir.—In justice to the above League, and for the benefit of those who were not present at last Monday's Meeting, I desire to point out that the following programme of future work was then suggested by me, namely:—

1. The formation of an Industrial Institute for boys and girls to serve the purpose of a Reformatory for boys and to be also a training school in useful employments for both boys and girls.
2. The formation of an International Club for the purpose of bringing the different races in the Colony closer together.
3. The education of children, at cinema theatres, in various useful subjects.
4. The formation of a local branch of the Royal Asiatic Society.

The Committee, which was appointed at last Monday's Meeting, will shortly be convened for the purpose of appointing Special Committees to deal with the above four subjects.

Yours faithfully,

H. E. POLLOCK.

Princes Buildings,

Hongkong, December 15, 1921.

The survey of a public road from Canton to Taing-Sing district has been completed. The road will be 60 miles long. Work on it begins shortly.

Canton's different government offices will be housed in one building for which Messrs. Murphy and Dunn, New York architects, have been engaged to make the plans. A special architect arrived in March.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THIS AFTERNOON'S MEETING.

MEASURE FOR ENFORCING COURT JUDGMENTS.

A bill to facilitate the reciprocal enforcement of judgments here and in other parts of the Empire was the only new measure introduced at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council. The Council also considered the second readings of the bills to amend further the Rents Ordinance and to regulate the imposition of the penalty of stocks. The second reading of the bill "to restrict the taking of legal proceedings in respect of certain acts and matters done during the war and to provide in certain cases remedies in substitution therefor," was not proceeded with at this meeting.

ATTENDANCE.

Those present were:—

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs, K.O.M.G. H.E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Lieut-General Sir G. M. Kirkpatrick, K.C.B., K.C.S.I. The Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Dr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., L.L.D. The Attorney-General, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.R.E., K.C. The Colonial Treasurer, the Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer, O.B.E. The Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, O.B.E. The Director of Education, the Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving. The Director of Public Works, the Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins. The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak. The Hon. Mr. Chou Shou-sun. The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird. The Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen. The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang. Mr. S. B. B. McDermid, Clerk of Councils.

PAPERS TABLED.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary tabled the financial minutes and the report of the Finance Committee.

In response to a question by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., asking when would the final report of the census taken last Spring be published, the Hon. Colonial Secretary laid the report on the table.

The Colonial Secretary also tabled a regulation made by H.E. the Governor declaring Shanghai a place where an infectious or contagious disease prevails, and a regulation relating to examiners' fees under the Legal Practitioners Ordinance.

Captain B. A. C. Morgan was invested with the O. B. E. (military division), and Paymaster Lieut. Commander G. P. Marcel was invested with the Royal Naval Reserve Officers' Decoration. The Governor, who made the presentation, congratulated both recipients.

ENFORCING JUDGMENTS.

RECIPROCAL BILL INTRODUCED.

The Hon. Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill "to facilitate the reciprocal enforcement of judgments and awards in the Colony of Hongkong and in other parts of His Majesty's dominions and in certain other territories," the objects and reasons of which were given as follows:—

The object of this bill is to provide for the reciprocal enforcement of judgments and awards in the Colony and other parts of His Majesty's dominions and in territories under His Majesty's protection.

The bill follows the lines of the Administration of Justice Act, 1920, 10 & 11 Geo. 5, c. 81, Part II, and is now introduced on instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Part II of the Act is based on the report of the Committee appointed by the Lord Chancellor to consider the conduct of legal proceedings between parties in the United Kingdom and parties abroad and the enforcement of judgments and awards.

Clause 3 provides for the enforcement in the Colony of judgments obtained in the United Kingdom. Application is to be made to the Supreme Court for the registration of the judgment, and upon registration the judgment is to be of the same effect as if it had been obtained in the Supreme Court here. The judgment will be registered only if, in all the circumstances of the case, the court thinks it just and convenient that the judgment should be enforced here, and sub-clause (2) specifies several of judgments which must not be registered, e.g., judgments given by courts acting without jurisdiction, judgments obtained by fraud, and judgments which are the subject of pending appeal. Sub-clause (4) provides that the judgment debtor is to be given notice of the registration, and that the registration may be set aside by the Supreme Court.

Clause 4 authorizes the issue of certified copies of judgments obtained in the Colony in cases where the judgment debtor is resident in the United Kingdom, this being for the purpose of enforcing such judgments in the United Kingdom.

Clause 5 provides that the practice and procedure in respect of proceedings under the Ordinance may be regulated by rules of court, and gives the Chief Justice power to make such rules, subject to the approval of the Legislative Council. Sub-clause (1) of clause 6 authorizes the Governor by Order in Council to extend the Ordinance to judgments obtained in a superior court in any part of His Majesty's dominions outside the United Kingdom when he is satisfied that reciprocal provisions have been made by the legislature of that part of His Majesty's dominions for the enforcement there of judgments obtained in the Supreme Court of this Colony. Sub-clause (2) of clause 6 provides that the expression "any part of His Majesty's dominions" shall be deemed to include any territory which is under His Majesty's protection or in respect of which a mandate is being exercised by the Government of any part of His Majesty's dominions. The Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded.

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Sub-clause (2) of clause 6 provides that the expression "any part of His Majesty's dominions" shall be deemed to include any territory which is under His Majesty's protection or in respect of which a mandate is being exercised by the Government of any part of His Majesty's dominions. The Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded.

There was no discussion and the bill was read a first time.

RENTS AND STOCKS BILLS.

The Attorney General moved and the Colonial Secretary seconded the second reading of the rents amendment bill. There was no discussion and the Council went into committee to consider the bill clause by clause after which it passed the third reading.

The stocks bill was passed through the second and third readings in a similar manner.

The Council then adjourned until this day fortnight.

OUR FINANCES.

THIS AFTERNOON'S COUNCIL MINUTES.

The following financial minutes recommended by H.E. the Governor were considered by the Finance Committee at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council:—

\$4,989 in aid of the vote Police, special expenditure, motor ambulance.
\$10,900 in aid of the following votes:—

Public Works, recurrent:—
Hongkong communications:—
(6) Maintenance of roads and bridges outside city \$ 8,000.00
(7) Improvements to roads and bridges outside city 1,500.00
Lighting:—
(10) Gas lighting, city and suburbs and hill district 1,200.00
(11) Electric lighting, city, hill district and Shau-kiwan 200.00
Total \$10,900.00

\$28,800 in aid of the following votes:—

Public Works, extraordinary:—
New Territories, communications:—
(77) Roads: (a) Tai-po Road, widening and improving road between 3rd and 5th milestones, \$20,700.00
Miscellaneous:—
(82) Pier at Cheung Chau, 6,100.00
Total, \$26,800.00.

A European visitor residing at the Astor House Hotel reports that he engaged a ricksha near the Soldiers' Club in Queen's Road East about 5 p.m. yesterday, for a drive round the city. He drove in the vehicle for about three hours, and while on his way back from a visit to Sheklong-chui about 8.30 p.m., the driver suddenly turned from the tram lines into a narrow and dark side lane between Wa-er and Whitty Streets where he dropped the shafts. Five men came out of the gloom and attacked the passenger, and relieved him of a wallet containing \$175 in Hongkong bank notes.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Executive Committee appointed to make arrangements in connection with the forthcoming meeting of the Princes of Wales, Mr. J. P. Bragg suggested that a small brochure should be given to all school children in the Colony. An amendment was carried, however, that a "really good" picture of the prince should be presented to certain schools selected by the Board of Education and not to all children in all the schools as erroneously reported. The pictures, it is explained, are to be valuable ones and presentation to the actual school was strongly voted for in preference to Mr. Bragg's suggestion that each school child should be given a souvenir.

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"NEIL RIVER"	7,000	25th Dec.	Maldives, London & A. West.
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"DONGOLA"	8,200	29th Dec.	Maldives, London & A. West.
"CHITARA"	8,200	31st Dec.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
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"K. J. J."	8,200	6th Jan.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"K. J. J."	8,200	8th Jan.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"K. J. J."	8,200	10th Jan.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"K. J. J."	8,200	12th Jan.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"K. J. J."	8,200	14th Jan.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
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"K. J. J."	8,200	26th Jan.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"K. J. J."	8,200	28th Jan.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"K. J. J."	8,200	30th Jan.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"K. J. J."	8,200	31st Jan.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.

S. S.	Tons	Home (Days)	Destination
"TANDEM"	7,000	25th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Pancoast and C. C. C.

S. S.	Tons	Home (Days)	Destination
"APARUA"	6,000	25th Dec.	Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	25th Dec.	Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.

S. S.	Tons	Home (Days)	Destination
"D. NGOTA"	8,000	10th Dec.	Shanghai and Yokohama.
"ARAFU"	6,000	20th Dec.	Shanghai and Yokohama.
"KASHIWA"	6,000	25th Dec.	Shanghai and Yokohama.

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YOSHINO MARU ... 24th Dec. at 11 a.m.
FUSHIMI MARU ... 26th Dec. at 11 a.m.
HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.
LIMA MARU ... 19th Jan.

LIVERPOOL via MARSUJIES.
TOKYO SHIMA MARU ... 19th Jan.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

TANIGAWA MARU ... 20th Dec. at 11 a.m.
NIRKO MARU ... 22nd Dec. at 11 a.m.
NEW YORK via PANAMA & CUBAN PORTS.
TODA MARU ... 25th Dec.

NEW YORK via Suez.
TSUYAMA MARU ... Monday, 2nd January.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Cape BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

AWA MARU ... 20th Dec.
TAMBA MARU ... 22nd Jan.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
YEDSHI MARU ... Thursday, 28th Dec.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
NIRKO MARU ... Friday, 16th Dec. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
YAMAGATA MARU (omit Shanghai) ... Wednesday, 14th Dec. at 11 a.m.

MITSUBISHI MARU ... Friday, 23rd Dec. at 11 a.m.
SADO MARU ... Friday, 23rd Dec. at 11 a.m.
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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NAVAL LIMITATION.

JAPANESE RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED.

PACIFIC FORTIFICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, December 14.

It is understood that the American delegates have agreed to the Japanese reservations regarding the retention of the "Mitsu" instead of the old 12-inch gun ship "Setu" on condition that the United States is permitted to retain two newer ships, the "Colorado" and "Washington" instead of the "Delaware" and "North Dakota." Britain's counter modifications remain to be arranged. The naval limitation programme will provide a status quo regarding Pacific fortifications. The agreement will not apply to Hawaii, Japan itself, Australia or New Zealand.

MOPLAH SURRENDER WHOLESALE.

REMAINING BANDS DESPERATE POSITION.

LONDON, December 14.

The India Office reports that extensive surrenders of Moplah rebels continue. Up to the present 27,500 have surrendered, and 281 have been killed in encounters with troops during last few days. The position of the remaining bands is becoming desperate.

TRIBESMEN ATTACK BRITISH CONVOYS.

TWO OFFICERS KILLED AND THREE WOUNDED.

DELHI, December 15.

Five hundred tribesmen, including Waziristan militia deserters, attacked British convoys in the Tochi valley and inflicted 70 casualties. The British stubbornly resisted and drove off the attackers. The casualties included two British officers killed and three wounded.

BILLS OF LADING.

LLOYD'S APPROVE HAGUE RULES.

LONDON, December 14.

A meeting of the members of Lloyd's approved the Hague rules for 1921 relating to bills of lading, etc.

DUTCH EAST INDIES.

TRADE POTENTIALITIES.

LONDON, December 14.

Former Minister to the Netherlands, Sir Walter Townley, lectured at the Society of Arts on trade with the Dutch East Indies, drawing attention to their potentialities.

DUTCH MILITIA BILL.

UNSUCCESSFUL OPPOSITION.

THE HAGUE, December 14.

After strong opposition from the Left and a number of Right Independents the Second Chamber passed the militia bill by 50 to 48 votes.

£800,000 SYDNEY FIRE.

30,000 BALES OF WOOL DESTROYED.

SYDNEY, December 14.

Damage estimated at £800,000 was caused by a fire at the Pastoral Finance Association's building in which 30,000 bales of wool were destroyed.

BURMA RICE EMBARGO REMOVED.

CROPS REPORTED FAVOURABLE.

DELHI, December 14.

Export restrictions on Burma rice have been removed. Crops are favourable.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The D. L. s.s. "Gregory Apur" left Calcutta Dec. 2 and may be expected to arrive at Hongkong about Dec. 23.

The P. & O. s.s. "Egypt" left London on Nov. 22 and is expected to arrive at Hongkong about Dec. 27.

The P. & O. s.s. "Dilwara" left Bombay on Dec. 13 and is expected to arrive at Hongkong about Dec. 30.

The B.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hongkong via Japan via Shanghai and Manila on Dec. 13 and is expected to arrive at Hongkong about Dec. 30.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nagaya" left London on Dec. 13 and is expected to arrive at Hongkong about Dec. 30.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nile" will sail for Singapore on Dec. 10 for Hongkong and is due here on Dec. 13.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Kashima" (Blue Funnel Line) left London on Dec. 14 for Hongkong and is due here on Dec. 17.

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LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Hydrangea, (Chiu On S.S. Co.) from Swatow—Wharf.

Hatching, (D.L.O. Co.) from Swatow—Wharf.

Derwent, (Thai Thuan.) from Saigon—B 13.

Newby Hall, (Bank Line.) from Rotterdam, Singapore—Wharf.

Tanda, (B. I. S. N. Co.) from Kobe, Amoy—Wharf.

Chennan, (B. & F.) from Shanghai—B 13.

Devawongse, (Yuen Seng Fat.) from Saigon—C 14.

Kaiping, (Singske.) Haiphong Pakhoi—C 40.

Tjimanook, (J.C.J.L.) from Dalny Amoy—A 8.

Peking Maru, (O. & K.) from Kobe—Wharf.

Torin Maru, (M. B. K.) from Keelung—C48.

Shun Shing, (Po On Co.) from K. C. Wan, Macao—Wharf.

Hwah Kun, (Lapioque & Co.) from Pt. Parceval—K. Bay.

Sui Yick, (Fuk Hoi S. S. Co.) from Shan-mi—Wharf.

Hsin Lee, (Shun Tai Hong.) from Chafco—C41.

Clearances.

Nam Wah, (Soh Hing) for Kwong Chow Wan—Dec. 14.

Kirishima No. 10, (Yamato & Co.) for Fookchow—Dec. 14.

Peking Maru, (O.S.K.) for Saigon, Calcutta—Dec. 15.

Sosha Maru, (O.S.K.) for Swatow, Takao—Dec. 15.

Kwai Wah, (Wan Hing), for Tourane—Dec. 15.

Sinking, (B. & S.), for Shanghai—Dec. 15.

Chennan, (B. & S.), for Canton—Dec. 15.

Sunning, (B. & S.), for Canton—Dec. 15.

Hwah Kun, (Lapioque & Co.) for Pt. Parceval—Dec. 16.

Fishpool, (Dodwell & Co.) for Sakatik—Dec. 16.

Newby Hall, (Bank Line) for Shanghai, Yokohama—Dec. 16.

Yamagata M. (N.Y.K.) for Kobe, Yokohama—Dec. 16.

GIRL CHILD KILLED BY MOTOR.

A distressing motor accident which resulted in the death of a 14-year old Chinese girl occurred in Des Voeux Road Central about 1.30 p.m., yesterday.

Motor car No. 331, driven by a Chinese chauffeur and containing Mrs. Ferguson, wife of Mr. Ferguson, acting manager of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, was being started outside the Central Market, when the girl dashed across the road towards the pavement from among some rickshaws in the middle of the road.

She was knocked down before the driver noticed her, and was rendered unconscious. She was removed to the Government Civil Hospital in the car, but died about an hour after admission, having sustained serious internal injuries.

Before Magistrate Lindsay this morning, a Chinese was charged with having uttered a forged 50 note of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank which had been altered to represent a \$100 bill. He was further charged with the possession of six other forged notes which were found on his person when searched at the station. The Magistrate suggested that he should be charged with the possession of all the notes and the "uttering" charge dropped. The police agreed and asked for a remand for further investigations. It was granted.

The proprietor of the Shun Hing Bank of No. 254, Des Voeux Road, reports that one of his clerks absconded at 2.30 p.m., yesterday with \$1,000, which had been entrusted to him to take to another bank. The police, who have a description of the man, are guarding the wharves and railway stations.

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Cargo from the s.s. "Shinyo Maru" not cleared by today will be subject to rent. Damaged cargo will be examined at 10 a.m. on Dec. 17. Agents, Togo Kisen Kaisha.

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SEIYO MARU	14,000	May 13th.

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LOCAL ART.**THE EXHIBITION AWARDS.**

The awards made by the judges in connection with the Hongkong Art Club's exhibition were announced last night by the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird.

He said that the opportunity could not be allowed to pass of offering a word of congratulation to the members of the Art Club on the exhibition; he thought there was no doubt it was the best ever seen in Hongkong and showed that the Art Club had moved forward. It was to be hoped that the Club's progress would continue. He was sorry to hear that the Life Class recently started was in a moribund condition; could not seem to elixir be found that would cause it to resume its vitality? (Getting life from the figure was really the best and most lucrative form of drawing of all, and he would be very sorry to hear that the Life Class had died an unnatural death. Ruskin defined the best art as that in which the hand, the head and the heart of man went together and if one put one's heart into sketching from life success would follow.)

He noticed among some of the pictures on exhibition a lack of drawing; he thought that was probably due to the insufficient study of the model. To be able to draw in perspective one must draw frequently from models. In the landscapes a thing that struck him was the entire lack of any figures. It made a great difference to a landscape if some figures were shown in the foreground. To begin with, it gave local colour and it also gave scale. This applied equally in photography; a scene with figures in it to give scale to the picture would be ten times as good. Mr. Bird then read the following list of awards by the judges:—

Best picture in the Exhibition: No. 36, "Portrait of a Scotch lad." By Mr. C. H. Cole.

HIGHLY COMMENDED:

Mrs. Humphreys for six drawings. Dr. Arthur de Carvalho for No. 189, "Hill Cutting" and No. 191, "Lotus Flowers."

Mrs. McPherson for No. 220 "Temple Interior" and No. 223, "Temple Doors."

Mrs. Toko for No. 62, "Cosmos." Mr. V. A. Trambitzky for No. 110, "Still Life"; No. 112, "The Tai O"; and No. 117, "Winter."

The late Mrs. F. A. Britton for No. 248, a harvest scene.

Mrs. B. C. Byrd, for Nos. 210 to 214, which were not for competition (The titles of these pictures, which comprised all those entered by Mrs. Byrd, were "A Conservatory Path," "A Chinese Child," "A Son of Hongkong," "The Belfry" and "Portrait Sketch.")

Mr. Cole also won the prize, awarded by votes of members of the Club, for the best work during the year.

Mr. Bird explained that Lady Kirkpatrick had kindly come at short notice to hand the prize to the winner, but as Mr. Cole was not now in the Colony the ceremony could not take place.

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BETS BY CHEQUE.**ILLOGICAL LAW.**

LORD CHANCELLOR'S WISH TO
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The recent decision of the courts that a bet paid by cheque can be recovered was raised in the House of Lords by Lord Muir Mackenzie.

The Lord Chancellor, Lord Birkenhead, agreed that there would be a grave dislocation of the businesses of a good many people as a result of the decision. During the present sitting of Parliament the Government were under a definite undertaking not to introduce any legislation which is not concerned with the question they are met to deal with (trade and unemployment). He did not know whether his colleagues, as a body, would agree to a measure to remedy the defects in the Gaming Act which have presented themselves. Certainly he would be in favour of it. No great public interest was served by persons who, having lost and paid, were enabled unexpectedly to recover the money which they had paid.

"I have never shared the objection to allowing any person who chooses to do so, and can afford it, to make a bet, and if I wished to make a bet I should conceive myself perfectly to do so. It is quite true to say that the whole law of gaming in Britain is in an extremely illogical and unsatisfactory condition. I can perfectly well see how it could be made simple and intelligible, and yet, I think, not tending to encourage gambling. Whether any political party or whether Parliament would give me the power so to deal with it I do not pretend to know."

It was impossible for the Government, even if they were willing, to deal with the matter, but if Lord Muir Mackenzie liked to test the feeling of Parliament on the matter he could, of course, do so.

SURELY UNIQUE.

An event that must be unique in history of business occurred when the First National Exhibitors' Association received their first copy of Charlie Chaplin's classic "The Kid." So delighted were they with this masterpiece that they unanimously agreed to pay him \$240,000 more than the contract price!

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SPORT.**ATHLETIC MEET.****CHINESE Y.M.C.A.**

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. are holding their annual athletic sports meeting at the racetrack on Saturday afternoon. There are some very interesting items on the programme, and as all the "star" Chinese athletes of the Colony have entered, keen competition will doubtless be seen. One of the principal attractions of the meet will be an open one-mile race, for a beautiful silver loving cup. Entries from all comers will be received on the course on the day of the meeting. I.B. A. Hyder the winner of the same event at the V.R.C. sports, is competing, and he undoubtedly will, a good race is guaranteed. Hyder is the fastest non-Chinese runner of that distance in the Colony, and it would afford great interest to see him competing against the Chinese cracks.

BASKET-BALL.**SCHOOL LEAGUE.**

The Hongkong Schools Basketball League in which fourteen teams from the various schools competed was concluded this week, when the final games were played off. St. Paul's College won the Senior Championship, with Queen's College as runners-up. St. Paul's had a very strenuous season, and did well to run out winners against a string of formidable opponents. They have every reason to be proud of their success. The Junior Championship went to Queen's College. St. Paul's were again in the picture, being close up behind in second place. Ellis Kadoorie School are proud of their success in the Small Boys' Championship.

The trophies won during the season were distributed by Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.S.P., on the Y.M.C.A. playground at 3 p.m., to day following an exhibition match between the winners of the Senior and Junior Championships.

POLO.**"KOYLI" CUP.**

Competition for the "Koyli" Polo Cup, presented to the Colony by the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, is being revived for the first time since the war, and the first match will be played off on Polo Club ground, Causeway Bay, on Saturday, starting at 4.15 p.m., sharp. The opposing teams will be the Army v. the Navy. The only other team in the competition is the Club. The competition will be of the "knock-out" kind, and the Civilian will meet the winners of Saturday's match in the final on Dec. 22, at 4 p.m.

The teams in the competition are composed as follows:—

Army.—Lieut. R. P. Beaven (1), Lieut. C. Sargeant (2), Lieut. J. M. Dodington (3), and Major A. W. Timmis (back).

Navy.—Lieut. H. E. Sprague (1), Sub-Lieut. E. M. Greenless (2), Lieut. D. W. Last (3), and Capt. R. Neville (back).

Club.—P.A. Cox (1), J. E. H. Bibby (2), J. Bell-Irving (3), and Brig-Gen. Macnaghten (back).

LAWN TENNIS.**UNIVERSITY v. CANTON CHRISTIAN COLLEGE.**

This test match, which is in the nature of an intercolony contest, has been arranged for 10 a.m., to-morrow, on the University ground. The Varsity players will be D. Laing and A. Runjahn; M. K. Yue and H. M. So.

FOOTBALL.**Varsity Team.**

The following will represent the University in a football match at 4 p.m., to-morrow on the Hongkong

LABOUR CONFERENCE.**CHINESE WORKING WOMEN REPRESENTED.**

For the first time China had a representative at the International Working Women's Congress which met recently just before the International Labour Conference of the League of Nations. This parliament of women, representing the hand workers of the world, was organized in Oct. 1919, at Washington, D.C., and held its second meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, last October. The International Labour Conference convened immediately after the women's meeting and the delegates to the latter were privileged to attend the Labour Conference and to present the recommendations resulting from their gathering.

To this important gathering of women, Miss Zung Wei-tung, of the staff of the Chinese National Young Women's Christian Association, was sent, in response to an invitation to the women of China through the medium of the Y.W.C.A.

Some of the principal matters considered at the Women's Congress were the question of a weekly rest day in commercial and industrial employment, the improvement of the working conditions of those engaged in agriculture, and a discussion of industrial progress in the light of the most recent developments in the present period of reconstruction.

Miss Zung has for a long time been deeply interested in the industrial situation in China and is able on her return to bring back to the men and women of China directly concerned the spirit and message of this very significant Congress. She comes through Hongkong next week and has been asked to give an address to the leaders of Chinese guilds and others interested in industry.

THUS TRUTH IS REACHED AT LAST.

"Antylous" in the Bangkok Daily Mail, writes: Reading an interesting leader in the China Mail the other day on youthful literature, I was rather surprised to find that its author holds that monkeys cannot pick coconuts from trees. Had the scribe only dwelt in Southern Siam he would have discovered that they not only can but do. I have myself seen them doing it, near Singora. The monkeys, which are trained for the purpose are known as the *ting seyn* and I believe that their scientific appellation is *Macacus arctoides*. They heave off the nuts when the latter are ripe enough to be fairly easily detached by using their powerful hind feet and I was told that only females were used for the purpose. And I also saw a monkey do the same at Tumpat, Kelantan.

Just whether monkeys in their wild state chuck coconuts at human visitors is, however, quite another story. I have personally seen them throw down handfuls of leaves, dead twigs and the like, but—and I have tried to observe monkey "in their native lair" on a number of occasions during the last twenty years—I never saw a wild monkey on a coconut tree yet, though a planter friend assures me that he has seen them trying to extract the larvae of the rhinoceros beetle from the holes in the trunks.

Football Club Ground, Happy Valley: E. K. Ong; S. A. M. Sepher (captain), B. C. Lee; D. Laing, J. Gunder, H. S. Teh; D. K. Samy, S. C. Ting, K. S. Cheah, N. M. Lim, T. L. Cheah.

LEAGUE CRICKET.**K.C.C. v. I.R.C.**

On Saturday, at Sookumpoo Valley at 2.15 p.m. The following have been selected to represent Kowloon: J. S. Robinson, J. Stalker, B. D. Evans, C. J. Stapleton, E. L. Braga, K. E. Macaskill, Capt. E. G. Spinks, F. G. Thompson, D. M. Goodall, C. Dance and Lt. A. G. Macdonald.

IMPUDENT PICKPOCKETS.**EUROPEAN ROBBED IN BUSY STREET.**

Hongkong pickpockets are nothing if not impudent. A European this morning cashed a cheque at one of the big city banks, placed the money in his breast pocket and walked out of the building. He was followed. Walking up Wyndham Street in a mood of abstraction he was jostled by three men whom he scarcely saw. Coming out of his reverie a few paces later something in the incident struck him as peculiar. Moved by an obscure impulse he felt his pocket. The money was gone!

Clearly he had been followed from the bank along Queen's Road and up Wyndham Street by two or more men—the third might have been a convenient stranger. In a busy street he was robbed under his very nose. That the theft could escape his notice at the moment is conceivable—as a matter of fact it did—but it seems hard to believe that the incident was not witnessed by the many pedestrians and loiterers in the street at the time. Yes, Hongkong pickpockets are nothing if not daring.

KOWLOON THEATRE.**ANOTHER POPULAR DANCE TO-NIGHT.**

Another enjoyable evening is assured at the Kowloon Theatre to-night when the second of the series of popular dances takes place. The commodious floor is one of the best in the Colony and the orchestra has again been specially augmented for the occasion. As before, to prevent any overcrowding, tickets will be limited in number. They may be obtained either at Messrs. Montrie or at the theatre itself after 5.30 p.m.

The dance programme follows:—

1. One Step, "All The Boys Love Mary."
2. Fox Trot, "Wang Wang Blues."
3. Waltz, "Louisiana."
4. One Step, "Irene."
5. Fox Trot, "Hawaiian Blues."
6. Waltz, "In The Gloaming."
7. One Step, "The Hen and The Cow."
8. Fox Trot, "Moon Light."
9. Waltz, "Genevieve."
10. Fox Trot, "Marie."
11. One Step, "We're Coming Back to California."
12. Fox Trot, "Stolen Kisses."
13. Waltz, "Sleepy Hollow."
14. Fox Trot, "Underneath Hawaiian Skies."
15. One Step, "When the Right Man Comes Along."
16. Extra.

A special dance will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 9 p.m. (evening dress). Tickets including light refreshments \$2.00 each at Montrie's.

THE BOTTOMLEY CASE.

Giving his considered judgment in one of the Bottomley cases, Sir Charles Biron said: "After carefully considering the case and with a due sense of the seriousness of what I am saying, I am unable to believe Mr. Bottomley on oath regarding the \$50,000 incitement charge. I don't believe this prosecution for blackmail is an honest bona fide prosecution." He therefore discharged Bigland on this charge but would commit him on other charges of incitement which did not depend on the evidence of Mr. Bottomley.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the local American Consulate General from the Manila Observatory.

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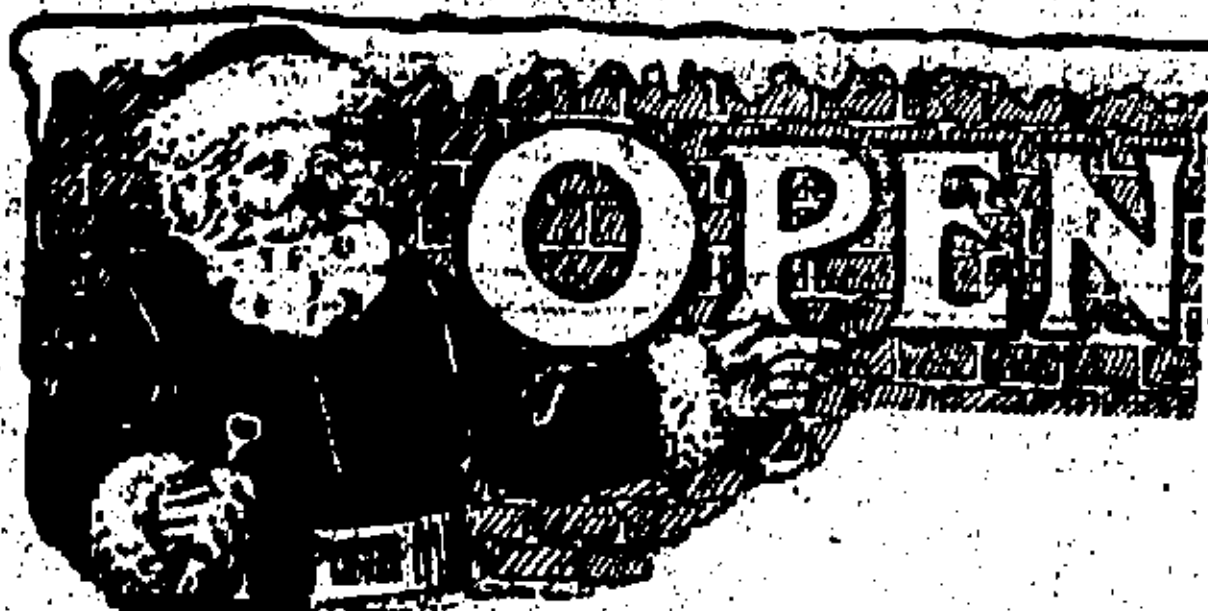
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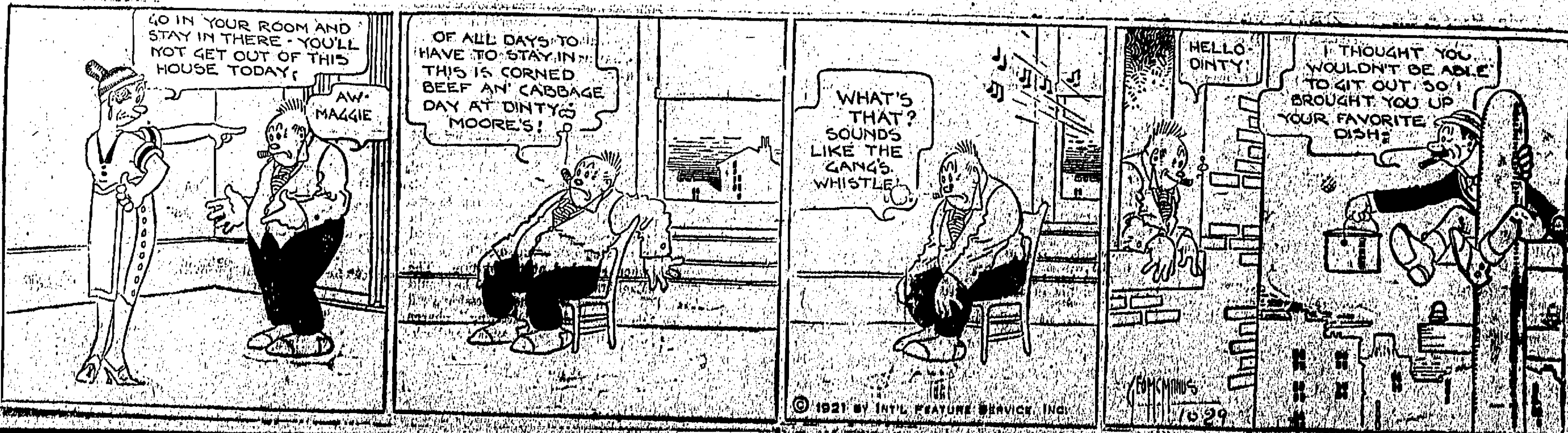
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